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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of: Marco GENTILE et al.

Serial Number: 08/894,733

Group-Art Unit: 1614

Filed: August 27, 1997

Examiner: Phyllis G. Spivack

For: PARENTERAL PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING
AMMONIUMALKYL SALTS OF 2-ARYLPROPIONIC ACIDS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 27, 1998

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 1998, the Applicants respectfully request that the present application be amended as follows, and the rejection of record be reconsidered in view of the amendments, the following remarks, and the enclosed documents and Declaration under Rule 1.132.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

a1. 1. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition suitable for parenteral administration having anti-inflammatory and analgesic [property, characterized in that it contains] properties, comprising an alkylammonium salt of a 2-arylpropionic acid selected from the group consisting of ketoprofen, ibuprofen, naproxen, tiaprofenic acid, in racemic as well as in enantiomeric form, in an aqueous solution having an osmolarity between 270 and 310 mOsm/kg and at a pH in the range between 7.0 and 7.5, said solution being free of preservatives and of supporting substances and being prepared and kept in [a gas-inert] an inert gas atmosphere and away from light.